COMMON COUNCIL COUNCIL CHAMBERS APRIL 1, 2014

Mayor Kristen Brown called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 6:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.

## I. Meeting Called to Order

- A. Opening Prayer was given by Pastor Mark Teike with St. Peter's Lutheran Church.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Brown.
- C. Roll Call was taken. Dascal Bunch, Ryan Brand, Frank Jerome, Frank Miller, Tim Shuffett, Kenneth Whipker, and James Lienhoop were present.
- D. Councilor Shuffett made a motion to approve the minutes as presented from the City Council meeting on March 18, 2014. Councilor Brand seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of seven (7) in favor and zero (0) opposed.

## II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action

None.

## III. New Business Requiring Council Action

- A. First reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO. 2014, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, REZONING THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM "CN" (COMMERCIAL: NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER) TO "CD" (COMMERCIAL: DOWNTOWN CENTER)." (Cummins Health Facility Rezoning) Melissa Begley, Assistant Planning Director, presented this ordinance. She explained Cummins, Inc. plans to construct a new health facility north of 8th Street, between Brown and Jackson Streets. Cummins, Inc. is requesting four (4) parcels of land be rezoned from CN (Commercial: Neighborhood Center) to CD (Commercial: Downtown Center) for a combined single lot. The zoning would then be consistent across the entire project area. There were no questions from the public. Councilor Bunch made a motion to pass the first reading and place in proper channels. Councilor Shuffett seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- B. First reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO.\_\_\_, 2014, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2014." Matt Caldwell, Director of Operations and Finance, presented this ordinance along with Elizabeth Fizel, City Engineer, and Randy Sims, Senior Engineer Technician. Matt stated \$3.5 million is being requested for road projects. He explained that over 108 miles of road have been identified as needing repairs. Matt provided Council Members with spreadsheets of items approved at the Capital Improvements Committee meeting. Councilor Jerome asked

where the \$3.5 million in funds were coming from. Matt explained revenues have come in higher than projected and expenditures have been lower than what was actually budgeted, which created a surplus. Councilor Shuffett stated CAGIT (county adjusted gross income tax) numbers have been impressive. The amounts have increased from \$7 million in 2006 to almost \$9.5 million in 2014. Mayor stated the city's operating funds are not fully spent, typically 3% to 8% is returned. She explained the additional appropriation of \$3.5 million would allow 13.5 miles of asphalt road repairs and 2 miles of concrete road repairs. Discussion followed. Councilor Whipker suggested, from a planning standpoint, discussing future road projects as a budgeted item instead of additional appropriations. Mayor stated the budget process starts in June and amounts aren't firmed up until July and revenue is estimated conservatively. Further discussion followed. There were no comments from the public. Councilor Jerome made a motion to pass the first reading and place in proper channels. Councilor Bunch seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

## IV. Other Business

A. Standing Committee and Liaison Reports – Councilor Shuffett reminded the public tickets are still available for the Human Rights Commission Annual Dinner, which is scheduled for Wednesday, April 9, 2014 at the Commons.

Councilor Bunch stated PMG is having a grand opening of their new addition on Thursday, April 10 at 9:00 A.M.

Jeff Logston, City Attorney, briefly discussed the process for the sale of property of the former NuSun building.

- B. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at 5:30 P.M. at the Yes Cinema meeting room. The State of the City Address is scheduled immediately following the Council meeting at 6:00 P.M. at Yes Cinema and Conference Center.
- C. Councilor Bunch made a motion for adjournment. Councilor Brand seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:34 P.M.

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